

STATE OF INDIANA - COUNTY OF PORTER  
IN THE PORTER CIRCUIT AND SUPERIOR COURTS

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF LOCAL RULES FOR A CASELOAD  
ALLOCATION PLAN FOR THE COURTS OF RECORD OF PORTER COUNTY  
JUNE 1, 2008**

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In accordance with Administrative Rule 1(E) of the Indiana Court Rules, the Porter Circuit and Superior Courts hereby give notice to the bar and the public that the Courts propose to amend the Local Rule setting forth the caseload allocation plan for the courts of record of Porter County, effective January 1, 2009. All new text is shown by **underlining** and deleted text is shown by **~~striketrough~~**. Local Rules for caseload allocation plans pursuant to Admin. R. 1(E) require Supreme Court approval and may not take effect until approved by the Supreme Court.

In accordance with Trial Rule 81(B), the time period for the bar and the public to comment shall begin on June 1, 2008, and shall close on June 30, 2008. The proposed amendments to the rule will be adopted, modified or rejected before July 31, 2008, and the final version of the rule will be submitted to the Indiana Supreme Court for review and approval not later than August 1, 2008.

Comments by the bar and the public should be made in writing and mailed to:

Hon. William E. Alexa, Judge of Porter Superior Court II, ATTN: Public Comment on Local Rules,  
Porter County Courthouse, 16 Lincolnway, Fifth Floor, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383-5643.

A paper copy of the proposed amended local rule for Caseload Allocation Plan will be made available for viewing in the Office of the Clerk of Porter County, Porter County Courthouse, 16 Lincolnway, Second Floor, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383-5643, during normal business hours. Persons with internet access may view the proposed amended local rule for Caseload Allocation Plan at the following websites:

Porter County: <http://www.porterco.org/>

Porter County Clerk: <http://www.porterco.org/clerk.html>

For all of the Courts of Record of Porter County, Indiana, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.

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WILLIAM E. ALEXA, Judge Porter Superior Court II

# 4000 SERIES

## PORTER COUNTY LOCAL CRIMINAL RULES

### LR64-CR2.2- 4000 CASE ASSIGNMENT AND ALLOCATIONS

#### 4000.20 COUNTY DIVISION CASE ASSIGNMENT AND ALLOCATION

The County Division of the Court shall maintain a felony docket, a misdemeanor docket and a traffic infractions docket. Filings on the dockets shall be done in accordance with this Rule as follows:

(1) *Porter Superior Court #3*: Porter Superior Court #3 shall receive misdemeanor, felony and infraction filings from the following police departments: Indiana Department of Natural Resources; Indiana State Police Toll Road (District #11); **Indiana State Police Lowell Post (District #13)**; Beverly Shores Police Department; the Department of Transportation, Northern Indiana Commuter Transit Department; Porter County Sheriff's Police; and, traffic misdemeanors filed by the Porter County Sheriff. Porter Superior Court #3 shall receive filings from the first five in-custody felony case filings in each month that would have been filed in Porter Superior Court #6 pursuant to this rule.

*Porter Superior Court #4*: Porter Superior Court #4 shall receive filings from the following police departments: City of Valparaiso; Town of Kouts; Town of Hebron; and Valparaiso University Police Department.

*Porter Superior Court #6*: Porter Superior Court #6 shall receive misdemeanor, felony and infraction filings from the following police departments: **~~Indiana State Police (District #13); Lowell Post~~**; Portage Police Department; Chesterton Police Department; Ogden Dunes Police Department; Burns Harbor Police Department; and, Porter Police Department.

(2) This Rule shall also govern the filing of ordinance violation cases.

(3) The County Division of the Court will not accept the filing of Class A, B, C or D Felonies except:

(A) Class D Felony for Battery and accompanying charges resulting from the same arrest where the most serious charge is a Class D felony.

(B) Class D felony cases which include a charge under Title 9. These shall be filed in the County Division.

(4) Narcotics Unit filings are treated as being filed by the Porter County Sheriff.

Nothing in this section shall prevent the County Division Courts from directing filings between the Courts in order to equalize work loads of the several respective courts.